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SUBJECT: INSTRUCTION: JOIN CONSENSUS ON UNGA 3C RESOLUTION
WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

REF: 16NOV09 DRAFT RESOLUTION "IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
OUTCOME OF THE WORLD SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT AND OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH
SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY"

11. ACTION REQUEST

1A. If the text of OP4bis and OP5 of the final resolution remains as in REF, the Department authorizes USDEL to join consensus, provided that the entire resolution text does not change significantly from the wording contained in REF to negatively affect vital U.S. interests.

1B. If the text of the final resolution includes the following revised OP5, replacing OP4bis and OP5 in REF, the Department authorizes USDEL to join consensus, provided that the remaining resolution text does not change significantly from the wording contained in REF to negatively affect vital U.S. interests, and to deliver the following EOP:

BEGIN REVISED TEXT OF OP5

Expresses deep concern that the world financial and economic crisis, world food and energy crisis, and continuing food insecurity, and climate change, as well as the lack of results so far in the multilateral trade negotiations and a loss of confidence in the economic system, have negative implications for social development, in particular for the achievement of poverty eradication, full and productive employment and decent work for all, and social integration.

END REVISED TEXT OF OP5

BEGIN EOP POINTS

--The United States is pleased to join consensus on this resolution, but we regret that it does not strike a better balance in its analysis of the relative impact of external and internal factors on sustainable development.

--The international community has long recognized the principle that the primary responsibility for social and economic development rests with national governments. Numerous UN resolutions, including this one, have acknowledged it. External factors such as crises or oil shocks can certainly affect countries' development, sometimes positively, sometimes negatively. But in the long run a national government's domestic policies matter more. Whether these policies respond to the aspirations of ordinary citizens, provide them opportunities, and address their needs, can have a decisive impact on a country's prospects for achieving sustainable social and economic development.

--We hope that next year's resolution will deal with these complex issues in a more balanced manner.

Thank you.

END EOP POINTS.
CLINTON